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### **EDUCATION**

Master of Science | Biomedical Engineering (Specialization: Medical Imaging)

Jan. 2024 – Present

University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada

• Supervisor: Dr. Matthias Wilms

## Bachelor of Science | Computer Science and Engineering

Jan. 2017 - March 2021

Islamic University of Technology, Gazipur, Bangladesh

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• Relevant coursework: Linear Algebra, Data Structures, Numerical Methods, Machine Learning, Digital Signal Processing, and Pattern Recognition.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

**AI Engineer** 

Feb 2021 – June 2022

Intelligent Machines Dhaka, Bangladesh

- Developed keyword transformer using TensorFlow for keyword classification. This model was developed to classify keywords spoken in different Bengali dialects to detect keywords spoken in sales pitches.
- Trained and deployed a text detection and recognition model using PyTorch for text classification and localization. This model was developed to extract information from handwritten receipts from local markets.

**AI Intern** Nov 2019 – Jan 2021

**Intelligent Machines** 

Dhaka, Bangladesh

- Fine-tuned Efficient-Det to detect point of sales material in the image. The model enabled the client to check how many point-of-sales materials were deployed in the market.
- Created scripts to optimize data generation, training, and testing for deep learning models.

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research fellow Jun 2022 - Feb 2023

Hyperbolic Deep Learning for Computer Vision | Fatima Fellowship

- Hyperbolic image classification using hyperbolic graphs, hyperbolic transformers, and hyperbolic MLP.
- Generative heat modeling for MRI generation from latent codes.

Research contributor Nov 2020 - June 2021

Sound Generation Group | Sound of AI

- Worked as a research contributor in one of the largest open-source research projects.
- Developed and trained a WaveNet-based encoder for sound generation.
- Carried out a literature review of different sound generation modules.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- Ahsan AO, Peng W. Discrete VQ-IHDM: MRI Generation with Vector Quantized Inverse Heat Dissipation Model. Under review at Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR).
- Ahsan AO, Tang S, Peng W. Efficient Hyperbolic Perceptron for Image Classification. Electronics. 2023; 12(19):4027. [Paper] [Code]
- MM Morshed\*, <u>AO Ahsan\*</u>. Attention-Free Keyword Spotting. ICLR 22 PML4DC workshop. [Paper][Code]

# **ACHIEVEMENTS**

# Hear Challenge 2021, NeurIPS 2021

Oct 2021

HEAR evaluates audio representations using a benchmark suite across a variety of audio domains.

- 1st place: Speech Commands Full, Speech Commands 5H, Mridingham Tonic
- 3rd place: Mridingham Stroke, Beehive States

<sup>\*</sup>Equal contribution